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IN RE APPLICATION OF : DATE ALLOWED: NOVEMBER 22, 2005
MASAHIKO SATOH : EXAMINER: NGO, HOANG X.
SERIAL NO: 10/625,510 :
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PETITION TO WITHDRAW FROM ISSUE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.313(C)(2)

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**COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313**

**ATTN: OFFICE OF PETITIONS
SHERRY BRINKLEY**

SIR OR MADAM:

This is a petition to withdraw the above-identified application from issue pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.313(c)(2) so that the Information Disclosure Statement filed herewith may be considered upon granting of this petition and the enclosed papers requesting the filing of a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114. The issue fee was paid on February 3, 2006.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.17(h), the required fee for filing this 37 C.F.R. §1.313(c)(2) petition is included herewith.

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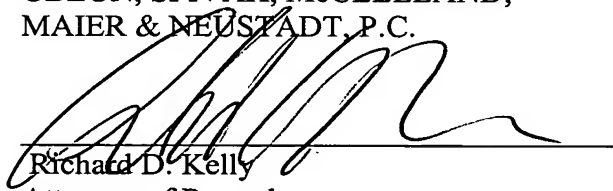
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Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that the petition be granted and that this above-identified application be withdrawn from issue and returned to the Examiner for consideration of the concurrently filed Information Disclosure Statement and references cited therein.

Respectfully submitted,

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